

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE October & September 1958		2. LOCATION Danby, California		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other, <u>Insufficient Data for Evaluation</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>2400Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 mins		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS two		9. COURSE stationary	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING A strong glow in direction of the Clipper mountains NW of observers. Objs approx 15' long & 5' high at a distance of approx 4 miles. When sun lowered in sky, objs disappeared.				11. COMMENTS Two of the sources investigated further & determined that what they saw was the sun reflecting off two radio antennae that were in line with the reflection. Investigation by 1006th AISS was made & it was concluded that sources explanation was correct.	



~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ KEPT SAYING. "THATS BEEN OUT  
THERE FOR WEEKS". BELIEVE ME GEN-  
ERAL THESE WERE AIRCRAFT. NOT  
GAS TANKS OR HOUSE TRAILER ETC.  
THATS ~~8~~ JEEP COUNTRY AND SOME OF  
IT A JEEP CANT GET TO. MUCH LESS  
ANYTHING ELSE.

THESE WERE 2 AIRCRAFT STRANGE  
AS IT SEEMS AND THEY WERE THERE  
FOR WEEKS. WHAT WERE THEY DOING  
THERE? DID THEY LEAVE SOMETHING THERE,  
POSSIBLY SOME BURIED EQUIPMENT?  
CAN OUR ENIMIES SET SO A LURE FOR  
THE ICDM TO FOLLOW? I DONT  
KNOW BUT WE SAW THEM. IT ALL HAPPENED  
JUST AS I TELL IT. ALL SPANISH SPEAKING LIVES  
IN THE CLIPPER MTS. AND NALICHORMAN  
AT R.R. DANDY. BOTH CAN TELL THEIR SIDE  
OF THE STORY. WE'VE ALL BEEN IN THE  
MOUNTAINS AND DESERT FOR YEARS AND HAVE A  
LOT OF EXPERIENCE. IF THERES ANYTHING UN-  
USUAL WE DONT MIND KNOWING ABOUT IT  
AND THIS IS ONE THAT'S GOT US STOPPED. IF  
YOU CANT ACCOUNT FOR IT I STILL THINK A CREW  
OF MEN OUGHT TO COME THE AREA AND DIG IN WHERE  
THEY WERE AND I CAN ALMOST PINPOINT THE PLACE  
FROM THE MILL. WE WILL BE GLAD TO HELP.

SINCERELY  
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COUNTRY <b>USA</b>		REPORT NO. <b>D4-UFOB-1-59</b>	(LEAVE BLANK)
<b>AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT</b>			
SUBJECT <b>Unidentified Flying Object</b>			
AREA REPORTED ON <b>Danby, California</b>		FROM (Agency) <b>Detachment 4, 1006th AISS</b>	
DATE OF REPORT <b>23 March 1959</b>	DATE OF INFORMATION <b>Sep - Oct 58</b>		EVALUATION
PREPARED BY (Officer) <b>HOWARD W HOLMES, Major, USAF</b>		SOURCE <b>MR. [REDACTED] and others</b>	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) <b>Message AFCIN-4E4 3-432-E</b>			
SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112-Part II.)			
<b>I. CONTENTS</b>			
PART ONE: Description of sighting by Mr. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Los Angeles, 19, California Home Phone: [REDACTED]			
PART TWO: Description of sighting by [REDACTED] P. [REDACTED] Essex, California Home Phone: None			
PART THREE: Description of sighting [REDACTED] Cain Springs, California Home Phone: None			
PART FOUR: Supplementary Investigative Efforts			
PART FIVE: Comments of Preparing Officer			
II. SUMMARY: Unidentified flying object was observed visually in the vicinity of railroad Danby, California (EJEE 345385) at 1600 hours Pacific Standard Time during the latter part of September or the first part of October 1958. The information contained in this report was obtained from the persons observing the objects and from investigation conducted to determine the possible cause of the sighting.			
III. INVESTIGATORS: TSGT CLARE A BLAIR AF15320739 SSGT VICTOR G SOKOLOFF AF19433929			
for <i>Richard A. Holmes, CWO, USAF</i> <b>HOWARD W HOLMES</b> Major, USAF Commander			
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JOHN W. MEADOR  
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Commander

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I. SOURCE: ██████████  
Address: ██████████ Los Angeles 19, California  
Occupation: Tool and die maker  
Age: 47  
Education: 2 years high school  
Hobby: Prospecting

II. RELIABILITY: When interviewed, SOURCE was very cooperative and was interested in cause of the sighting. SOURCE retained details of observation despite time interval from sighting to time of interview. SOURCE appeared to have knowledge of desert areas and illusions present therein. SOURCE spoke freely and appeared to be of average intelligence. Information given by SOURCE is considered to be fairly reliable.

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING AND EVENTS:

1. At approximately 1600 hours PST during the latter part of September 1958, SOURCE was standing outdoors at Richeleau's mill approximately 100 yards from railroad Danby, California (EJEE 345385). SOURCE stated he was facing northwest when his attention was diverted by two (2) bright objects glowing from the direction of the Clipper Mountains. SOURCE was fairly certain that the objects were in view for approximately twenty (20) minutes. SOURCE stated that the objects were level and pointed approximately north and south. Objects appeared slightly below the horizon.
2. Objects were viewed through a small telescope. SOURCE stated the objects were oblong shaped like an aircraft fuselage. SOURCE described the color as glowing, bright aluminum. SOURCE stated the edges of the object were clearly outlined and were approximately ninety (90) feet long and twenty (20) feet in height. SOURCE estimated the objects to be approximately four (4) miles from the observation point.
3. SOURCE described the weather as clear, dry, no wind and a temperature of approximately eighty (80) degrees.
4. SOURCE stated that he did not believe in "flying saucers" and believed the objects to be advanced types of aircraft.

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SOURCE'S Memory Sketch

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**S T A T E M E N T**

Last fall about the last of September three of us were standing at the mill at railroad Danby. We saw a strong glow of light coming from the foothills of the Clipper Mtns. We thought this to be a bank of mica. This intense glow lasted about 20 minutes. It was approximately 4 miles from where we were standing. Time 4 pm. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and myself disagreed what it could be, but [REDACTED] stated it was no mica bank and it was something that didnt belong there. The next day it happened again at the same time and lasted about 20 minutes. Until the sun had moved and the glow went out, however this time there was just two of us, [REDACTED] and myself. We watched it through a telescope. Under the glass the glow was gone and two cylindrical shaped, round nosed, glowing objects were parked in a large deep gulley. They were about 40' apart sitting approximately north and south. They were both on an even keel and we could see no signs of life. They were very bright silvery color light giant gas bottles. We thought at first it was a crashed airliner. The next morning we went out and searched the area, and found nothing. At 4 pm we again waited at RR Danby to see the glow but it did not occur again. They had left during the night. I am quite sure I can almost pinpoint the place if I return to the area.

[REDACTED]  
Los Angeles 19, California

**S T A T E M E N T**

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RICHARD A HOLM  
CWO, W-2 USAF

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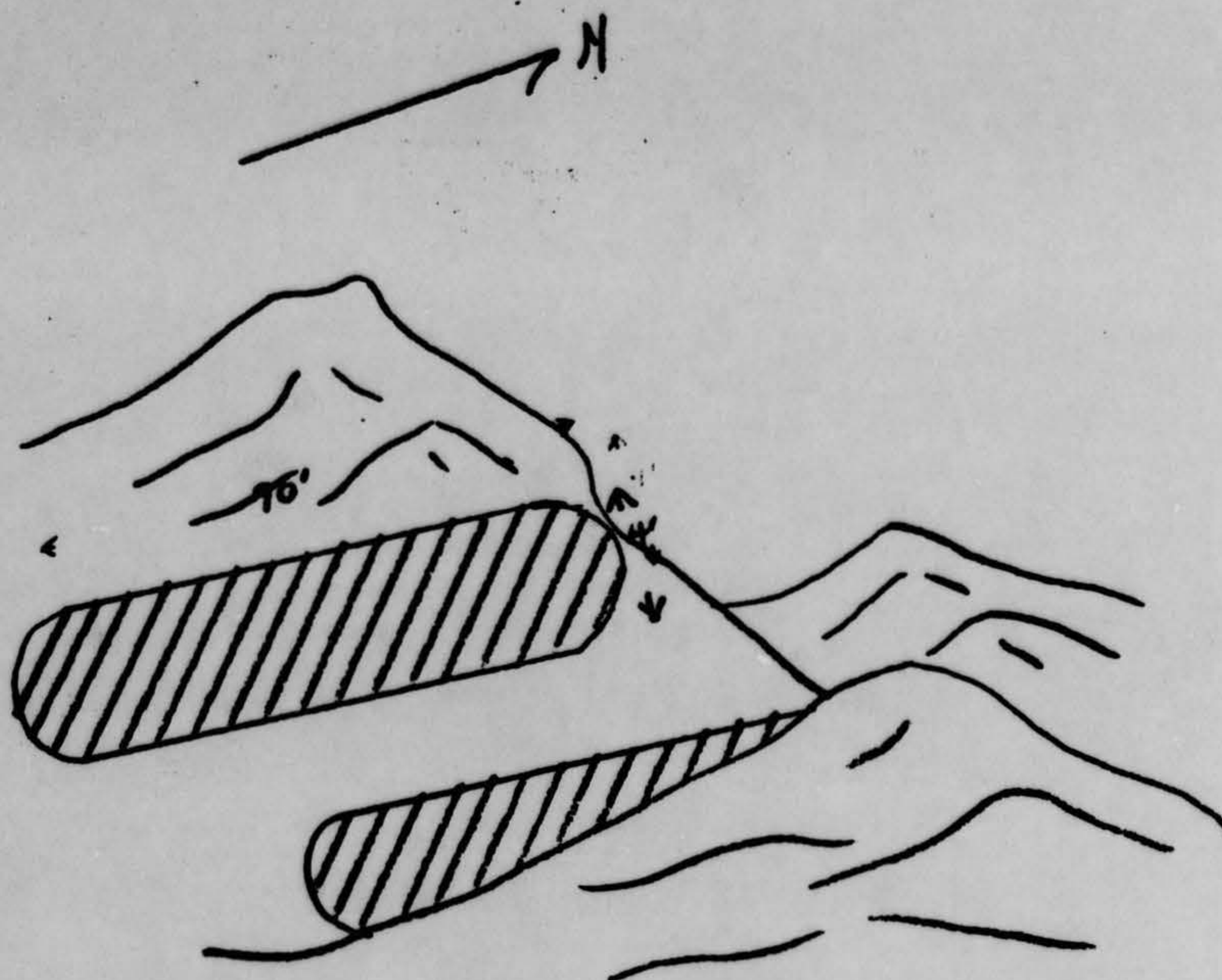
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I. SOURCE: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED], California

Occupation: Retired machinist; Part time prospector

Age: 79

Education: 7½ years grade school

II. RELIABILITY: SOURCE was very cooperative and showed an interest in determining cause of sighting. Despite the age of SOURCE, he was very active and alert. SOURCE's estimates of distance and time were accurate. Information given by SOURCE is considered to be fairly accurate.

III. SOURCE'S DESCRIPTION OF SIGHTING AND EVENTS:

1. At 1600 hours Pacific Standard Time during the last two weeks of September or first two weeks of October 1958, SOURCE was standing at Richeleau Mill approximately 100 yards from railroad Danby, California (EJEE 345385). SOURCE stated a flash of light from a northwest direction attracted his attention. SOURCE stated that the object was stationary and appeared to be at the same elevation as SOURCE. SOURCE was fairly certain the object was visible for approximately two hours and thirty minutes (2½ hours) and then disappeared. SOURCE stated object appeared at approximately 270 degrees and approximately 60 feet below the horizon. Object remained stationary at all times.
2. SOURCE stated object was observed during daylight hours and appeared to be the color of aluminum. Object made no sound. Object viewed through a small telescope. Object sharply outlined and appeared to be approximately fifteen feet (15) long and five feet (5) high and solid in construction. SOURCE estimated distance to object to be four miles (4). SOURCE stated that the sun was on his left and when the sun lowered in the sky the object disappeared.
3. SOURCE described the weather as dry, hot, clear sky and negative winds.
4. SOURCE stated that he believed the object to be an optical illusion of a radio antennae.

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## STATEMENT

Around the end of September two other men and I were standing at Richeleau's Mill talking about prospecting when we noticed a glow in the direction of Clipper Mtns. We watched the glow for a while and then it disappeared. Later that night we talked about it and decided to watch for it the next day. The next day it appeared again at the same time. We knew there was nothing metallic in that area and thought it might be an airplane because of its metallic glow. Mr. [REDACTED] took his telescope and looked at it and spotted it on the hillside. We drove as far as possible and walked for three or four hours in the general area. The exact spot was on a line from RR Danby northwest over Route 66 Danby. We aligned ourselves with the two places and searched the area but could not find evidence of the objects. I remembered a few days later that the objects were visible almost every day in the same area so Mr. [REDACTED] and I investigated further. We used a powerful pair of binoculars and studied the glow. We noticed guy wires coming from it and looked closer and saw rods radiating from the guy wires. We remembered that two tall radio antennae used by the California Highway Patrol were at Route 66 Danby and determined that the sun cast a reflection on the antennae and that that was what we were looking at all the time and that was why we could find no evidence in the foothills. We did not report this information and thought the whole thing had been solved.

[REDACTED]  
ESSEX, CALIFORNIA

## STATEMENT

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I. SOURCE: [REDACTED]

Address: Cain Springs, California

Occupation: Retired; Part time prospector

Age: 63

Education: High school

II. RELIABILITY: SOURCE can be considered fairly reliable although he declined to make a statement or complete ATIC form. SOURCE confirmed statements made by Mr. [REDACTED] and was satisfied with his interpretation of the sighting.

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### SUPPLEMENTARY INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS

1. This report is a result of message AFCIN-4E4 3-432-E dated 091300Z MAR 59.
2. Investigators interviewed Mr. [REDACTED] in Los Angeles, California on 11 March 1959. Mr. [REDACTED] and Mr. [REDACTED] were interviewed in Danby, California on 12 March 1959.
3. Investigators made a search of the area pointed out by SOURCES as the spot where objects were seen. (Refer to Incl 1, PART FOUR, Overlay of area) No evidence could be found that resembled the description of the objects or where any foreign objects could have been in the area. Investigators went to Richeleau's Mill and observed the area through 7x50 binoculars. SOURCES stated the objects should appear at approximately 1600 hours PST. Weather conditions were identical to that of the original sighting. Area was observed until 1700 hours PST; no objects appeared. SOURCES stated that the sun may have been in a different seasonal elevation at the time of the original sighting. SOURCES also stated that the objects had not been seen for quite some time. A close study of the sight line revealed the outline of antennae and guy wires described in SOURCES statement in PART TWO. (Refer to Incl 2, PART FOUR, Cross section of sight line). Antennae protruded over tree tops at route 66 Danby approximately twenty (20) feet. Antennae supported by mast approximately one and one half inches (1½ in.) in diameter. Antennae stacked yaggi type. Antennae was aimed parallel to Route 66 or 045 degrees. This angle would approximate the direction to Needles, California (EJFE 2450) Two (2) antennae visible approximately twenty (20) feet apart and were identical. Total height of antennae mast approximately forty (40) feet. Antennae approximately four (4) feet square.

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1. Area overlay
2. Cross section of area
3. Antennae diagram

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DANBY, CALIFORNIA  
2 October 1958

On 6 March 1959, this Center received a letter from a resident of Los Angeles, California reporting the sighting of an unusual object. The limited information contained in the letter was insufficient to allow analysis. A request for investigation was made to a unit directly associated with the organization which falls under the jurisdiction of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence. The following is a summary of the information derived, and the final conclusions reached concerning this incident.

On 2 October 1958, three men were standing at Richeleau's Tungsten Mill at Railroad Danby discussing prospecting. The time was approximately 1600 hours PST, when what appeared to be a bright glow, or flash of light, in the northwest attracted their attention. One man said it must be the sun reflecting off a bank of mica. The other two didn't think there was that much mica in that area because they had prospected the area in the past. The glow was in view for approximately two and one half hours and then disappeared when the sun lowered in the sky.

The next day at the same time the glow of light reappeared in the same location. Two of the observers looked at it with a small telescope and the glow appeared to be oblong as is an aircraft fuselage, and the color of aluminum. The size of the object appeared to be approximately 15 feet long, 5 feet high, and solid. The distance to the object was estimated to be about four miles. The three men then drove as far as they could toward the object and walked around the area for three or four hours, but could find no evidence of such an object.

A few days later one man remembered that the object, or glow, was visible almost every day in the same area. Two of the men decided to investigate further. They took a pair of powerful binoculars, studied the object, and noticed guy wires coming from it. Upon looking closer, rods were seen radiating from the guy wires. They then remembered that two tall radio antennae used by the Highway Patrol were located at Highway 66, Railroad Danby and decided the sun was reflecting off these antennae.

Air Force investigation confirmed the views of the witnesses. The antennae were found to protrude above the tree tops approximately 20 feet, and were spaced approximately 20 feet. It was determined that the reflection from these antennae could be seen from Railroad Danby only during a relatively short period of the year for the hour of this report. This explains why the sighting appeared unusual to the witnesses who are residents of the area.

It is concluded that the cause of this sighting was the sun reflecting off radio antennae.

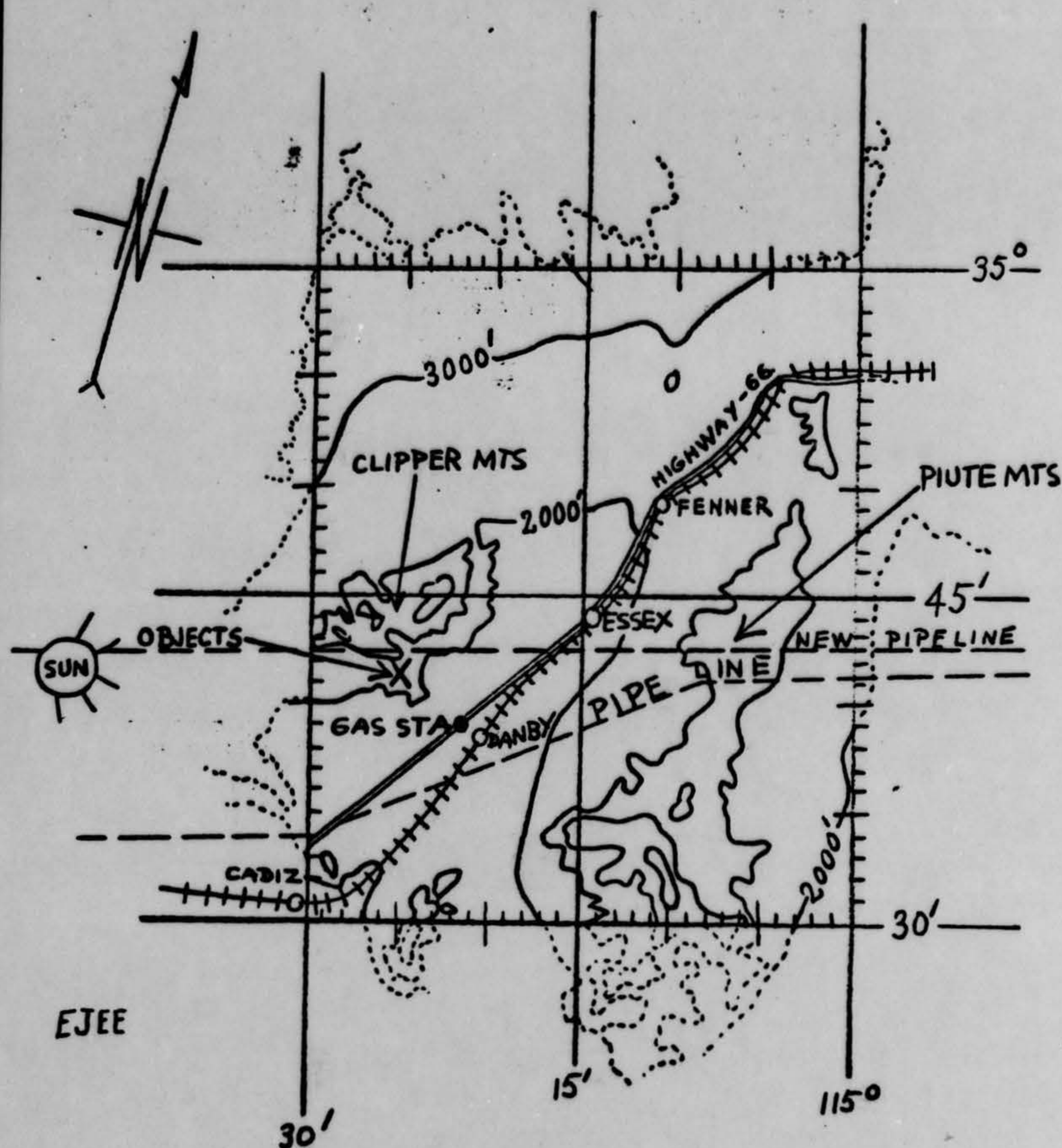


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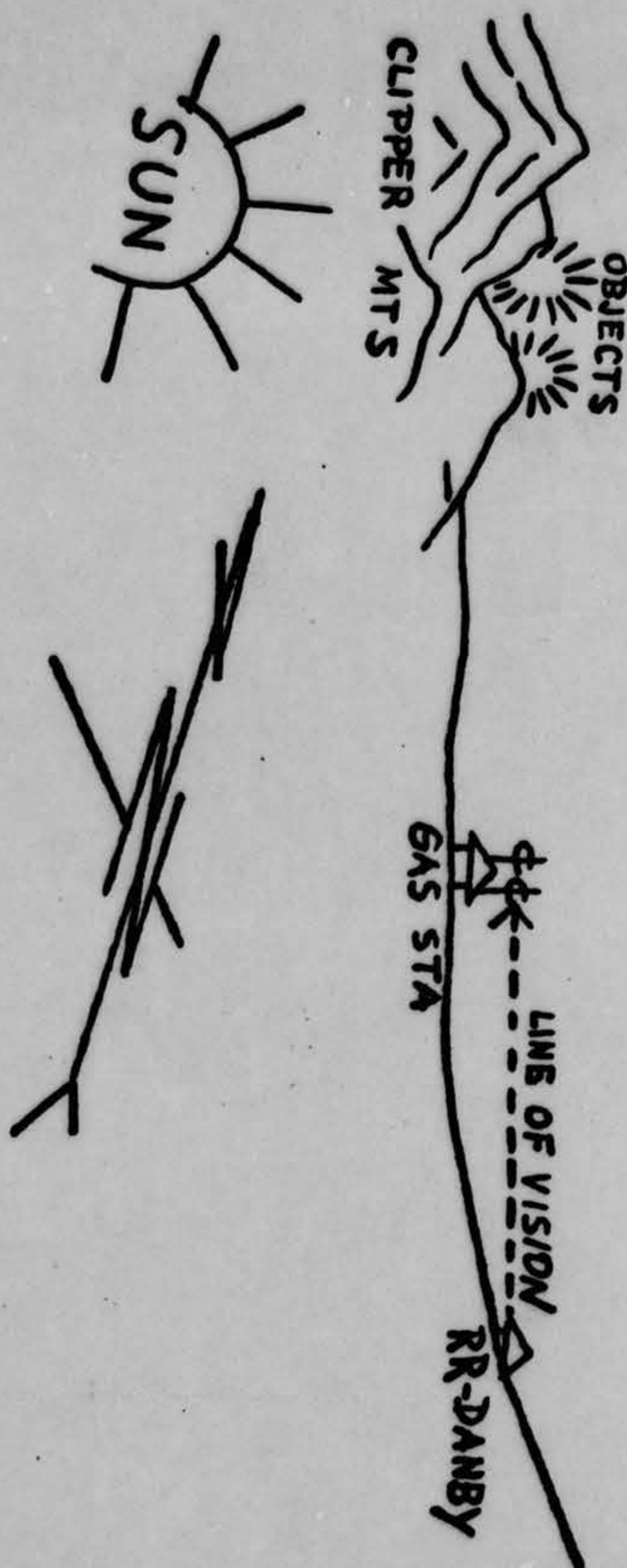


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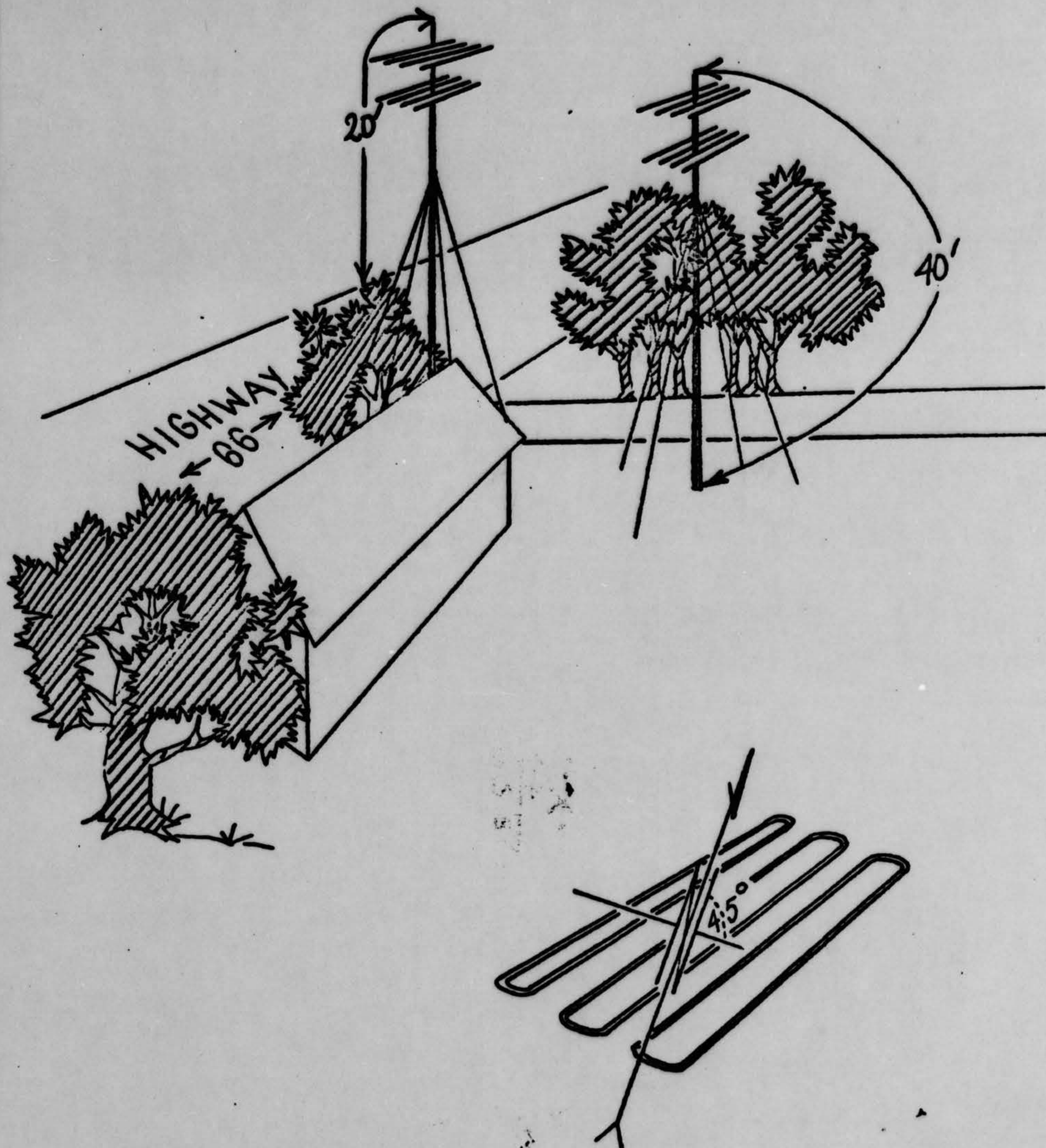
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### COMMENTS OF PREPARING OFFICER

In view of observations made by SOURCES at Danby and by the two investigators, an evaluation of probable optical illusion caused by sun reflections on radio antennae is given this report. It is felt that Los Angeles SOURCE would have agreed had he been given the time for further investigation as did the other observers.

*for* *Richard A. Holmes, CWO, USAF*  
HOWARD W HOLMES  
Major, USAF  
Commander



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for HOWARD W. HOWES  
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The bright sun reflected at a particular time from an object invisible to the observer often produces a puzzling phenomenon, such as the flying saucer reported from Danby, California, early in October 1958.

About 4:00 in the afternoon on October 2, three prospectors standing near a tungsten mill at Railroad Danby noticed a sudden bright glow in the northwest sky which remained visible for about 2½ hours and then disappeared. When a glow appeared again the following day at the same time and place, the observers tried to identify it by using a small telescope and saw a bright, oblong object hovering above the horizon; it was the color of aluminum, approximately fifteen feet long, five feet high, and about four miles away. Getting into a car, the men drove in the direction of the object and searched the supposed location on foot for several hours, but could find no trace of the UFO.

Several days later, realizing that the object reappeared every day at about the same time and place, two of the men decided to investigate further. Studying the object through a pair of powerful binoculars, they could see guy wires coming from it and rods radiating from the guy wires. Remembering that two tall radio antennas used by the highway patrol stood in approximately the same location, the witnesses found the explanation, which Air Force investigators confirmed. The antennas, placed some twenty feet apart, extended about twenty feet above the trees. The cigar-shaped hovering object was a special effect depending on a particular combination of circumstances: only during the first part of October, and only late in the afternoon, did the sun's rays strike the antenna in such a way that the reflection was visible to an observer at Railroad Danby [1].



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The next day we went out to check the perimeter and the  
rest of the perimeter. Right in the middle of the area we  
found the high.

Someone had been working in the area of the high and the  
ground was the same. They had been working in the area and  
they had been working in the area.

A party of five men went to the high and they found  
the high. They found the high and they found the high. They  
found the high and they found the high. They found the high  
and they found the high.

There is a high in the area and they found the high. They  
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and they found the high. They found the high and they found  
the high.

The high is in the area and they found the high. They  
found the high and they found the high. They found the high  
and they found the high.



EXTRACT FROM RUPPERT'S BOOK

Of all the 590 UFO reports the Air Force received in 1958

probably the most important was the one reported  
about 1900 hours on the afternoon of December 2, 1958, when  
two men standing in a group, walking south, reported that  
they had seen a large, bright, glowing object in the sky. The  
object was about the size of a large airplane and was moving  
very fast. It was seen for about five minutes and then it  
disappeared. It was seen in the northwest. The object was  
described as a "cigar-shaped" and "glowing". The object was  
seen by two men standing in a group. The object was seen  
about 2 miles south of the town of [illegible] and was seen  
by two men standing in a group. The object was seen about  
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/UNCLASSIFIED/FROM: AFCIN-4E4 3-432-E REF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN COL BRONSON AND SGT BOLIEU CONCERNING AN UFO SIGHTING IN SOUTHERN CALIF, THE FOLLOWING INFO IS SUBMITTED: DURING FIRST WEEK OF OCT 58, MR [REDACTED] [REDACTED], LOS ANGELES 19, CALIF, [REDACTED] OF CLIPPER MT AND [REDACTED] AT R. R. DANBY, CALIF, SAW A VERY BRIGHT REFLECTION FROM THE AREA OF THE CLIPPER MOUNTAINS. LATER LOOKED AT IT THROUGH A TELESCOPE AND SAW A CYLINDRICAL, SILVER OR ALUMINUM BODY WITH A ROUNDED NOSE, LIKE A LARGE GAS BOTTLE. AFTER WATCHING IT FOR ABOUT 20 MINUTES, THE SUN HAD MOVED LOWER AND THE GLOW DISAPPEARED. MR [REDACTED] HAD STATED THE GLOW, OR REFLECTION, HAD BEEN THERE FOR WEEKS. THE THREE MEN THOUGHT IT WAS POSSIBLY A WRECKED ACFT AND HIKE IN TO WHERE THEY THOUGHT IT WAS LOCATED,					
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COMDR, ATIC

BUT COULD FIND NO EVIDENCE OF THE OBJECT THEY HAD SEEN THROUGH THE TELESCOPE. REQUEST AN INFO COPY OF THE AF FORM 112 BE FORWARDED TO THIS OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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Last call  
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Director of IS  
ATTN: WDCNC

25 February 1959

Mr. [REDACTED]  
Los Angeles 19, California

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Your letter of January 29th to General Schriever was referred to this office for reply since we are responsible for answering public correspondence on subjects such as this.

The Air Force is always glad to receive information such as your letter provides. Security conscious citizens such as Mr. [REDACTED] and yourself are to be commended for your interest in the defense of America.

Your letter and a copy of this reply to you are being forwarded to the Commander, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. This is the Air Force organization which is responsible for analyzing and evaluating reports of this nature.

I assure you that the strange glow you noticed will be thoroughly investigated. You will probably be contacted for further information by the ATIC.

Again, thanks for your interest and for taking the time to prepare such a detailed account of the experience.

Sincerely,

J. D. Johnson, Major, USAF

RALPH J. NUZZIATO  
Colonel, USAF

Director of Information Services

ATTC - WPAFB, Dayton, Ohio

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OF US ARE STANDING AT RICHELIEU'S TUNGSTEN  
MILL AT RAIL ROAD DANBY. (THERE ARE TWO  
DANBY'S. ONE CALLED RAILROAD DANBY AND THE OTHER  
HIGHWAY DANBY ABOUT 1 MI. APART NORTH WESTERLY)  
WE ARE PROSPECTORS AND MINERS AND IT APPX.  
4 PM. I HAPPENED TO LOOK UP TOWARD THE  
CLIPPER MOUNTAIN TO A POINT ABOUT  $4\frac{1}{2}$  MI  
AWAY STRAIGHT OVER HIGHWAY DANBY AND I  
NOTICED A VERY BRIGHT REFLECTION CAUSED  
BY THE SETTING SUN. IT WAS SUCH A STRONG  
GLEW OR GLIMMER LIKE SILVER THAT I CALLED  
ATTENTION TO IT. ~~WALT~~ SAID IT MUST  
BE A BANK OF MICA. ~~WALT~~  
STATED HE DIDN'T BELIEVE THERE COULD BE THAT  
MUCH MICA OVER THERE ON THE SLOPED BECAUSE  
HE PROSPECTED THE AREA IT-UD SO HAD I IN  
THE PAST. IT JUST ISN'T MINERALIZED THAT  
WAY AND THE TERRAIN IS ROUGH AND CONTAINS  
SOME FAIRLY DEEP WASHES ALTHOUGH IT  
LOOKS FLAT AND SLOES UP TO THE HILLS  
UP TO THE MOUNTAIN RANGE. WALT STATED  
THAT HE HAD NOTICED IT BEFORE (HE LIVES IN  
RAILROAD DANBY) AND AS HE PUT IT "THERE'S  
SOMETHING OVER THERE THAT DON'T BELONG OVER  
THERE." IN ABOUT 20 MINUTES. THE REFLECTION  
WENT OUT AND WITHOUT THE SUN YOU COULDN'T  
SEE IT. THE NEXT DAY QUITE BY CHANCE



I SAW IT AGAIN AND I CALLED ~~OVER~~ OVER  
TO THE MILL. THEN HE TOLD ME IT HAD  
BEEN THERE FOR WEEKS. IT LOOKED SO  
DAZZLING AND PRETTY WE JUST STOOD THERE  
THE TWO OF US AND WATCHED IT. THEN I SUD-  
DENLY REMEMBERED I HAD A TELESCOPE IN  
MY PICKUP TRUCK. I RAN AND GOT IT AND  
BY LINING IT UP AGAINST AN OLD DUMP  
TRUCK BODY I LOOKED RIGHT OVER HAY.

DANDY AND THROUGH THE GLASS THE GREAT  
~~WAS~~ WAS GONE AND I SAW A CYLINDRICAL  
SILVER OR ALUMINUM BODY WITH A ROUNDED NOSE  
LIKE A LARGE ALUMINUM PAINTED GAS BOTTLE.  
POINTING ABOUT N E SOUTH AND VERY NEAR TO  
IT AT AN ANGLE BUT LOWER THERE WAS  
EITHER ANOTHER ONE OR JUST THE UPPER PORTION

BOTH OF US STUDIED THEM UNTILL AS USUAL IN  
ABOUT 20 MINUTES THE SUN HAD MOVED AND THE  
CLOUD WENT OUT. THEN WE FOUND THAT EVEN  
WITH THE TELESCOPE WE COULD NOT LOCATE  
THEM. WE NOW KNEW THAT THIS WAS NOT A  
BANK OF MICA. BUT SOME STRANGE AIRCRAFT  
OR ELSE A WRECKED AIRLINER WITH ONE OF  
ITS WINGS CAST OFF. AFTER SUPPER WE TALKED  
AND WE DECIDED IT WAS A WRECKED AIRPLANE  
WHICH HAD BEEN LAYING OUT THERE FOR WEEKS  
AND THE PASSENGERS MUST ALL BE DEAD AND  
IT WAS OUR DUTY TO GO OUT THERE AND



TAKE CARE OF THINGS ETC. AND SEE THAT THE  
GOT A DECENT BURIAL ETC. SO WE DECIDED  
TO START OUT FIRST THING IN THE MORNING.

~~AND~~ AND I DROVE TO HWY. DANBY, PARKED  
ACROSS FROM SUM HARTZLER'S STORE AND  
GAS STATION. TAKING A CANIFEN AND A  
WINCHESTER WE WALKED UP TOWARD THE  
CLIPPER RANGE CONSTANTLY BACK SIGHTING  
THE TWO DANBY. AS WE WENT, THE  
AREA ALTHOUGH APPX.  $3\frac{1}{2}$  MI X 5 MI  
IS HOWEVER ENTIRELY SURROUNDED BY ROADS  
AND WE KNEW POSITIVELY IT WAS BEHIND THE  
PIPE LINE ROAD AND ON THE DANBY LINE.

TO OUR AMAZEMENT THERE WAS NO  
WRECKED AIRLINER. THEN WE SEARCHED BOTH  
SIDES OF THE BACK SIGHT AND FOUND NOTH-  
ING. BY LATE AFTERNOON WE WERE BACK  
AT THE MILL STANDING BY THE DUMP TRUCK  
WITH THE TELESCOPE AGAIN. 4 O'CLOCK  
CAME AND NO GLOW. 5 O'CLOCK  
PASSED AND THEN WE KNEW, THEY HAD  
LEFT DURING THE NIGHT. WE NOW KNEW  
THERE WAS NO BANK (HILLSIDE) OF MOUNTAIN  
OVER THERE, NO WRECKED AIRPLANE BUT  
THEY WERE THERE. THE TELESCOPE DON'T  
LIE. THREE OF US WITNESSED IT. TO  
SAY THE LEAST WE WERE HIGHLY PUZZLED.  
BUT ONE THING DIDN'T ADD UP AS